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A Report to the Citizens of the City of Fairfax



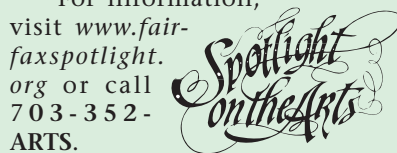
## DATELINE

### Fairfax Spotlight on the Arts Begins April 25

Beginning April 25, the Fairfax Spotlight on the Arts Festival celebrates its 29th year as "A Voyage of Discovery."

The festival highlights the region's evolving arts and heritage, discovering both past and present cultures and music from as well as stories and insights from cultures in our midst.

For information, visit [www.fairfaxspotlight.org](http://www.fairfaxspotlight.org) or call 703-352-ARTS.



### Leaf Collection Offered in April; Keep Branches, Twigs Out of Leaf Piles

The city will collect leaves from the curb on Tuesdays in April. Bagged leaves will not be collected in April. Please rake loose leaves to the curb by 7 a.m. on collection day (April 1, 8, 15, 22 and 29).

Please refrain from including twigs, branches and other yard debris, as these items can cause injury to workers and break machinery.

Collection trucks circulate throughout the city's six leaf zones.

Please note: inclement weather may delay collection. For information, call 703-385-LEAF.



If you're new to the city, welcome!  
Call 703-385-7800  
for new resident information.

## City Provides Special Services in April For Spring Cleanup

**J**oin the city as it spruces up for spring — and provides special services — in April for Spring Cleanup Month. For information, call 703-385-7995.

**Arbor Day** — Celebrate Arbor Day with the city with a tree planting at 10 am April 25 at Providence Elementary School, 3616 Jermentown Road.

**Cleanup Day** — Help Fairfax spruce up for spring: clean up the neighborhoods or any public area in the city on Spring Cleanup Day April 26. The city will provide trash bags and will collect the used trash bags on Spring Cleanup Day. Can't make that day? Call the city anyway to see how we can help your efforts.



**Street sweeping** — The city will sweep residential streets on Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays in April. Signs will be posted in neighborhoods; please refrain from parking on residential streets from 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. on sweeping days.

**Don't bag it** — If raking isn't your bag, leave grass clippings on the lawn. These clippings can supply 25 percent of a lawn's fertilizer requirements. Use a mulching mower, or mow every five to seven days, so clippings will be short enough to blend in.

**Education** — Check out Mason Sustainability Institute classes held at the Green Acres Center: visit [msi.gmu.edu](http://msi.gmu.edu).

## Route 123 Bridge Replacement Scheduled to Begin April 1

Construction to replace the aging bridge over Accotink Creek on Route 123/Chain Bridge Road at Kenmore Drive currently is scheduled to begin on April 1. *(Please note date change.)*

During the bridge replacement, northbound Chain Bridge Road traffic will be detoured. Southbound traffic will not be detoured unless it is required for safety reasons, but lanes will shift in the work zone.

Sidewalks in the work zone will be closed. Pedestrians should follow the Chain Bridge Road detour. *(See map, right.)*

The detour will be in place for most of the duration of the project, which could take up to six months. Consider University Drive as an alternate north-south route to avoid the work zone.

For up-to-date information, visit the city's website or call 703-385-7810.





# NEWS & NOTES

## Fairfax Civil War Day

10 am to 5 pm April 26

Historic Blenheim, 3610 Old Lee Highway

Meet Clara Barton, General James Longstreet,  
General and Mrs. Robert E. Lee, Colonel John S. Mosby,  
Union Nurse Marilla Hovey, The Yankee Schoolmarm,  
**FREED: Portrayals of African American Women**

Historic Blenheim House Tours • "German-American Caricaturists in the Civil War" •  
Living history and camp demonstrations • Fashionable Accessories and Jewelry •  
Black Horse Cavalry • A Civil War Farrier • The Village Blacksmith • Cannon and firing demonstration  
Marion Dobbins on "African American Contraband Camps" • Presentations and displays • Wagon rides  
Civil War Railroads • Civil War Medicine • Beginners Boot Camp • Music by Southern Horizon  
17th Va. Infantry "Fairfax Rifles" • Food by Red Hot and Blue, and Historic Fairfax City, Inc.

**Shuttle service from Fairfax High School, 3410 Rebel Run**  
**Information, Schedule: [www.fairfaxva.gov](http://www.fairfaxva.gov), 703-591-0560**

### CUE Bus Survey Continues in April

If you ride the CUE Bus or University Shuttle — or if you don't — we want to know what you think.

George Mason University and the City of Fairfax have launched a study of the two transit systems and are conducting a survey on ridership and rider patterns through April. Surveyors will be on the buses and shuttles, and may send information via e-mail and mail to current customers, former riders and those who do not use the systems.

Mason and the city want to understand how the existing system is being used and need to conduct detailed surveys of ridership and rider patterns.

Please consider participating: your response is vital in helping determine how to best serve your transportation needs. For information, call 703-385-7889.

### Final Public Workshop for Strategic Master Plan Set for May 14

The Parks and Recreation Department is hosting the final public workshop

for the Parks, Recreation, Trails, Open Space, Cultural Arts, and Events Strategic Master Plan. The workshop will be held at 7 p.m. May 14 at the Stacy C. Sherwood Community Center, 3740 Old Lee Highway.

At the meeting, the public may provide feedback on the draft action plan and find out what will occur through the final adoption of the plan. For information, visit [www.ourparksourfuture.com](http://www.ourparksourfuture.com) or call 703-385-7858.

### Fairfax Water Grant Applications Accepted Through May 15

Fairfax Water awards grants to qualified organizations that undertake water supply education or watershed protection projects. Grants may be in the form of funds, technical support or equipment. The project must address issues within Fairfax Water's service area, which include the city.

Certain education projects on a variety of water-related topics and watershed protection projects are eligible.

Applications are due by May 15. For information, visit [fairfaxwater.org](http://fairfaxwater.org) or call 703-289-6318.

### Commission for Women Shows 'Miss Representation' June 1

Consider how mainstream media portrays women — and how American women are responding — by watching the award-winning independent film *Miss Representation*. Join the Commission for

Women as they sponsor a showing of the film at 2 p.m. June 1 in the City Hall Annex. For information, call 703-385-7894.

*Miss Representation* is rated TV-14; for information, visit the website <http://film.missrepresentation.org>.

### Local Pools Offer Memberships

In the City of Fairfax, there are three community pools available to city residents. Please note: memberships and fees may apply.

- Country Club Hills Swimming Pool, 3622 Old Post Road ([www.cchpool.com](http://www.cchpool.com))
- Fairfax Swimming Pool, 4200 Roberts Road ([www.fairfaxpool.com](http://www.fairfaxpool.com))
- Mosby Woods Swimming Pool, 3136 Plantation Parkway ([www.mosbywood-spool.com](http://www.mosbywood-spool.com))

Other pools near the city include:

- George Mason University Aquatic Center, 4400 University Drive ([recreation.gmu.edu/aquatics](http://recreation.gmu.edu/aquatics))
- Oak Marr RECenter, 3200 Jermantown Road ([www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/rec/omrec.htm](http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/rec/omrec.htm))

### City Listed Among Safest Places to Live in Virginia

The City of Fairfax is cited as one of the safest cities in the Old Dominion.

Movoto Real Estate ranks the City of Fairfax as the fifth safest city in Virginia. The company reviewed the FBI's crime statistics for 2012 for jurisdictions with more than 10,000 residents.

### City Facilities Available for Rent

Holding a special event, business meeting or other special activity? Consider using a city facility. Facilities available for rent include Old Town Hall, Stacy C. Sherwood Community Center, Green Acres Center and the Civil War Interpretive Center at Historic Blenheim.

For information, call 703-385-7858.



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the City of Fairfax electronic  
message alert system,  
on the  
city's website:  
[www.fairfaxva.gov](http://www.fairfaxva.gov).



# Maintenance, Service Contracts Recommended for Sewer Laterals

*Second in a series*

Lateral pipes that carry wastewater from buildings to sewer mains are buried out of sight, and remain out of mind unless they fail — and, when they do fail, damage can be catastrophic and cost can be exorbitant.

City buildings are served by aging wastewater laterals. In many cases, laterals have past their normal life cycle and are subject to sudden failure. Who's responsible for their upkeep and repair?

The current wastewater utility policy states that laterals (from the building foundation to the wastewater main) are the responsibility of the property owner. For information, visit the wastewater pages on the city website or call 703-

385-7921.

Repair costs are borne by the property owners, including asphalt and concrete repairs for affected areas. Costs can be as high as \$30,000 or more.

Sudden wastewater lateral failure can be prevented. New technology allows preventive repairs for \$10,000 or less.

The City of Fairfax advises property owners to assess their sewer laterals and conduct preventative maintenance and repair. Consider having a local plumber videotape the building's wastewater lateral from the inside, and obtain at least two estimates for assessments and repairs. Additionally, property owners are advised to consider investing in a home protection program.

## Be Street Smart — Avoid Incidents Between Vehicles, Bikers, Pedestrians

Those who walk, drive or ride in Fairfax always should travel with extra caution — and pay close attention to everyone else using the road.

The City of Fairfax Police Department advises all travelers to obey traffic laws and follow traffic signals and signs. Be aware of your surroundings and never proceed unless it is safe to do so, no matter what the signals indicate. Always wear safety gear: helmets, seat belts, proper clothing for the weather and time of day.

Don't enter an intersection or road if the signal is red, no matter how safe it appears to be. (Drivers "turning on red" should advance with caution.) Watch

signal patterns carefully: "broken" lights may allow other vehicles or pedestrians to proceed first through the intersection.

Take your time and travel cautiously in bad weather. Arrive safely, even if that means walking the bike or traveling slower than the posted speed limit. CUE Buses travel in nearly all weather, so if you must travel, consider public transit.

Stay visible in the dark, whether with reflective clothing for the walker or biker, or proper lights on vehicles in traffic. Make sure all equipment is functioning properly, from lights to brakes to pedals to windshield wipers.

For information, call 703-385-7966.

## Budget Discussion Concludes April 30

Help the City Council determine the city's financial priorities for fiscal year 2014-15 by participating in the annual budget review. The proposed budget is scheduled for adoption on Wednesday, April 30 (*see schedule, right*).

The budget is a detailed description of how taxpayer money is spent and a fact-filled reference on the city government's structure and operations. It also includes the first year of the five-year Capital Improvement Program.

The proposed budget explains the city's goals, proposed programs and activities for that fiscal year. Copies are available, and the budget document has

been posted on the city's website. For information, call 703-385-7870.

### Budget Review Schedule

April 1: Budget mark-up during work session, public outreach meeting

April 8: Budget public hearing and budget mark-up during work session

April 22: Budget public hearing and budget mark-up during work session

April 30: Public hearing on real estate tax rate and budget adoption

**Budget meetings and work sessions are held at the City Hall Annex and are televised on Cityscreen-12; see page 5 for schedule and viewing information. Additional meetings may be scheduled as needed. Schedule is subject to change.**



### Contractors Must Dispose of Debris

Contractors who offer services as extensive as home renovations or as simple as grass-cutting are required to dispose of their debris themselves, rather than leave the materials at the curb. The Public Works Department does not dispose of contractor-created debris.

### Drop Off Rechargeable Batteries at Recycling Center

Rechargeable batteries may be dropped off in a bin at the Recycling Center, 3410 Pickett Road.

Regular household batteries may be placed in household trash for collection with refuse.

The center is open 24 hours a day, seven days a week for drop-off of numerous materials, including cans, paper, cardboard and more.

### Remember: Recycle at Home and Work

Remember: recycling is mandatory for all residents and business owners in the city.

Resident who receive trash/recyclable collection service may request a recycling bin from the city for curbside collection of materials.

### Recycling, Disposal Information Available

The City of Fairfax has two flyers to help residents properly dispose of trash and recyclables in the city:

- *How to Dispose of Items in the City*, which lists what items may be disposed of where and how in the city, and
- *Curbside Recycling is Easier Than Ever*, which lists what items are recycled in the blue bins collected by the city.

For a copy of the flyers, visit the city's website or call 703-293-7141.

**INFORMATION: 703-385-7837**



## HFCI Meeting April 9 Features 9/11 Lecture

History aficionados are invited to the Historic Fairfax City, Inc. membership meeting featuring "In the Bunker with the Vice President on 9/11" at 7 p.m. April 9 at the Stacy C. Sherwood Community Center, 3740 Old Lee Highway.

The free lecture will be given by Lt. Colonel Ron Darling, USMC (Retired), author of the book *24 Hours Inside the President's Bunker: 9-11-01: The White House*. A book signing will follow, with light refreshments. For information, call 703-385-8414.

## Police Accept OTC Drugs, Prescription Medicine April 26

Participate in Drug Take-Back Day by bringing unwanted prescription and over-the-counter drugs to the City of Fairfax Police Station.

Pills, ointments and liquids in sealed containers will be accepted from 10 am to 2 pm April 26 in the police station lobby, 3730 Old Lee Highway. Drop-off is anonymous; no identification or prescription information is required. For information, call 703-273-2889.

Since the twice-yearly take-back program launched in October 2011, the city collected more than half a ton of expired or unused medication.

## Grass/Weed Ordinance Updated to Streamline Violation Notice Process

With spring comes the growth of grass and weeds — and enforcement of related city ordinances.

Grass and weeds taller than six inches constitute a City Code violation. Owners of properties in violation will be given notice to cut the grass or weeds within 10 days. If the violation is not addressed in that time, the city will send a contractor to the property to mow the yard and the property owner will receive an invoice for the cost of the mowing.

Beginning this year, only one notice will be sent to owners of vacant property each year. Subsequently, the property will be mowed as needed throughout the season, with invoices being sent to the owner without further notice.

To report a violation, call 703-385-7830 or e-mail [complaints@fairfaxva.gov](mailto:complaints@fairfaxva.gov).

## General Election is May 6; Voter Registration Continues Through April 14

**Mayor Candidates:** John D. Norce • R. Scott Silverthorne

**City Council Candidates:** Michael J. DeMarco • Cristina Lee Gaines  
Jeffrey C. Greenfield • Nancy Fry Loftus • David L. Meyer • Janice B. Miller  
Eleanor D. "Ellie" Schmidt • Jon R. Stehle, Jr.

**School Board Candidates:** Jon A. Buttram • Carolyn S. Pitches  
Robert M. Reinsel • Tobin M. "Toby" Sorensen • Mitch A. "Sut" Sutterfield

**Mayor and City Council Candidates Night:**

7:30 pm April 24, Stacy C. Sherwood Community Center, 3740 Old Lee Highway

Sponsored by The City of Fairfax Homeowners' Associations

Information: 703-273-3898

Submit questions to candidates in advance via e-mail: [vote@fairfaxcity@gmail.com](mailto:vote@fairfaxcity@gmail.com)

Televised live and replayed on Cityscreen-12; see schedule on page 5



Voter registration continues through April 14. Absentee voting continues through May 3. Applications to have absentee ballots mailed to the voter must be received no later than 5 pm April 29. The General Registrar's Office is open from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. weekdays and will open from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, May 3 for in-person absentee voting. Information: 703-385-7890, [www.fairfaxva.gov](http://www.fairfaxva.gov).

## Volunteers Sought for City and Regional Advisory Boards

- **Board of Building Code Appeals** (one vacancy for position with fire protection experience) — Acts on applications for appeals from building official decisions based on the provisions of the Virginia Uniform Statewide Building Code which relate to the technical aspects of building maintenance regulations and to all of the other provisions of such code. Meets as needed.
- **Board of Equalization of Real Estate Assessments** (one vacancy for alternate position) — Hears appeals of assessed value of real estate. Court appointed.
- **Community Appearance Committee** (one vacancy for city resident) — Coordinates the city's Adopt-a-Spot program and clean-up month/day programs, in addition to commercial, residential and holiday decoration award programs.
- **Fairfax Alcohol Safety Action Program Policy Board** (one vacancy for city resident) — Sets program policies and serves as directorate for the local programs within the local Alcohol Safety Action Program.
- **Fairfax Area Disability Services Board** (one vacancy for city representative) — Advises local government about the service needs of persons with physical and sensory disabilities and implements the Americans with Disabilities Act.
- **Fairfax Commission on Aging** (one vacancy for city resident) — Informs the community of the needs of the elderly and makes legislative and budgetary recommendations to the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors on issues faced by the elderly.
- **Fairfax County Commission on Organ Tissue Donation and Transplantation** (one vacancy for city representative) — Coordinates resources in the community; promotes awareness of organ and tissue donation and transplantation; educates the community about the organ and tissue donation process; and increases the number of Fairfax County organ and tissue donors.
- **Health Systems Agency for Northern Virginia** (one vacancy for city representative) — Plans for the health-care needs of the area and works with other regional groups on health-care issues.
- **Planning Commission** (one vacancy for city representative) — Serves in an advisory capacity to the city council and plans for the future development of the city. Prepares and reviews the *Comprehensive Plan*; reviews subdivision and site plan submission; and makes recommendations to city council on Capital Improvement Program, rezonings and text amendments.

Applications will be considered at an upcoming City Council meeting following submission. Unless otherwise noted, city residency is required. Submit letters of interest and résumé (if available) to City Clerk Melanie Burrell. Vacancies are subject to change. Prospective applicants who represent diverse or minority groups are especially encouraged to apply.  
Information: 703-385-7935.



APRIL

## CITYSCREEN-12 SCHEDULE

**The Fairfax Scene**

Through April, Fairfax Museum and Visitor Curator Susan Gray takes us on a virtual tour through Fairfax 1863. *The Fairfax Scene* plays at 2 pm and 6 pm daily. Shows are archived online under "special programming" and on the city's YouTube channel.

**Candidates Night**

The Candidates Night sponsored by The City of Fairfax Homeowners' Association, will be shown live at 7:30 pm April 24.

The program will replay daily at 5 pm April 25 through May 5, as well as after 10 am and 7 pm meeting replays during that time. The show also will replay at 10 am April 28 and April 30.

Beginning April 25, the show will be archived online under "special programming" and on the city's YouTube channel.

**City Council Meetings, Work Sessions**

Tuesday, April 1, 7 pm, LIVE  
Replays:

Wednesday, April 2, 10 am, 7 pm;  
Friday, April 4, 10 am, 7 pm;  
Saturday, April 5, 10 am, 7 pm;  
Sunday, April 6, 10 am, 7 pm

Archived online April 2

Tuesday, April 8, 7 pm, LIVE

Replays:  
Wednesday, April 9, 10 am, 7 pm;  
Friday, April 11, 10 am, 7 pm;  
Saturday, April 12, 10 am, 7 pm;  
Sunday, April 13, 10 am, 7 pm  
Archived online April 13

OnDEMAND replay begins April 16

Tuesday, April 22, 7 pm, LIVE

Replays:  
Wednesday, April 23, 10 am, 7 pm;  
Friday, April 25, 10 am, 7 pm;  
Saturday, April 26, 10 am, 7 pm;  
Sunday, April 27, 10 am, 7 pm  
Archived online April 23

OnDEMAND replay begins April 27

Wednesday, April 30, 7 pm, LIVE

Replays:  
Friday, May 1, 10 am, 7 pm;  
Saturday, May 2, 10 am, 7 pm;

Sunday, May 3, 10 am, 7 pm  
Archived online May 1

**School Board Meeting**

Monday, April 7, 7:30 pm, LIVE

Replays:

Tuesday, April 8, 10 am;  
Thursday, April 10, 10 am, 7 pm;  
Monday, April 21, 10 am, 7 pm;  
Tuesday, April 22, 10 am;  
Thursday, April 24, 10 am, 7 pm;  
Archived online April 8

**Planning Commission Meetings**

Monday, April 14, 7 pm, LIVE

Replays:

Tuesday, April 15, 10 am;  
Thursday, April 17, 10 am, 7 pm;  
Archived online April 15

Monday, April 28, 7 pm, LIVE

Replays:

Tuesday, April 29, 10 am;  
Thursday, May 1, 10 am, 7 pm;  
Archived online April 29

Programming is subject to change — see Cityscreen-12 to confirm the programming schedule. Information: 703-385-7803.

**Proposed Agendas for City Council, School Board, Planning Commission**

**City Council (for information, call 703-385-7935)**

*April 1 work session*

- Public outreach.
- Discussion and mark-up of the city's proposed budget for fiscal year 2014-15.

*April 8 regular meeting and work session*

- Introduction of ordinances: amending and readopting City Code pertaining to classification and taxation of certain real property in the City of Fairfax used for or zoned for commercial and industrial purposes, and to establish a tax rate on such real property for the 2014 tax year, revenues from which would be used exclusively for transportation purposes that benefit the City of Fairfax; amending City Code to increase the wastewater rate by 10 percent; amending City Code pertaining to real property tax exemptions, deferrals and freezes for certain elderly or disabled taxpayers; amending City Code pertaining to the calculation of rental relief for elderly or disabled persons.
- Public hearing on the city's proposed budget for fiscal year 2014-15.
- Discussions and mark-up of the of the city's proposed budget for fiscal year 2014-15.
- Discussion of the possible program opportunities regarding solar energy.

*April 22 regular meeting and work session*

- Public hearing on the city's proposed budget for fiscal year 2014-15.
- Public hearing on an ordinance amending City Code Chapter 90, Article II, Division 3 pertaining to real property tax exemptions, deferrals and freezes for certain elderly or disabled taxpayers.
- Public hearing on an ordinance amending City Code Chapter 70, Article II, Section 70-36 pertaining to the calculation of rental relief for elderly or disabled persons.
- Discussions and mark-up of the of the city's proposed budget for fiscal year 2014-15.

*April 30 special meeting and work session*

- Public hearings: on the city's proposed budget for fiscal year 2014-15; on an ordinance amending City Code to increase the wastewater rate by 10 percent for fiscal year 2014-15; an ordinance amending

and readopting City Code pertaining to classification and taxation of certain real property in the City of Fairfax used for or zoned for commercial and industrial purposes, and to establish a separate tax rate on such real property effective as of January 1, 2013, revenues from which would be used exclusively for transportation purposes that benefit the City of Fairfax.

- Public hearing on the proposed fiscal year 2014-15 advertised real estate tax rate of \$1.05 per \$100 of assessed value, a 1¢ decrease from the current city adopted rate of \$1.06. The difference between the equalized tax rate and the proposed tax rate would be 2¢ per \$100, or 1.94 percent. This difference will be known as the "effective tax rate increase." Individual property taxes may, however, increase at a percentage greater than or less than the above percentage.
- Consideration to adopt the city's proposed budget for fiscal year 2014-15.

**School Board (for information, call 703-385-7911)**

*April 7 regular meeting*

- Student/Staff Recognition.
- Student Representative Report.
- Fairfax High School State of the Schools Report.

*April 28 work session*

- Student Panel.
- Draft agenda for annual retreat.
- Presentation on the Environmental Sustainability Committee.

**Planning Commission (for information, call 703-385-7930)**

*April 14 regular meeting*

- Public hearing on the proposed redevelopment of 9444 and 9500 Fairfax Boulevard (Fairfax Circle Plaza Shopping Center property) for a mixed use development with retail and rental apartments
- Consideration of an application to approve the subdivision of 3675 Old Lee Highway

*April 28 regular meeting*

- No agenda items have been set.

Meeting information is subject to change; call to confirm.



# CITY COUNCIL REPORTER

**February 25, 2014**

## **Consent agenda**

- Approved, unanimously, Consideration of a Basic Ordering Agreement Contracts to: Bowman Consulting for on-call transportation planning and engineering services, to Rinker Design Associates for on-call transportation planning and engineering services, to Sabra, Wang & Associates, Inc. for on-call transportation planning and engineering services; to A. Morton Thomas and Associates, Inc. for project inspection and oversight consultant services; to Alpha Corporation for project inspection and oversight consultant services; to RK&K for project inspection and oversight consultant services. *(Councilmember Drummond was absent.)*
- Approved, unanimously, Consideration of a special event application request by Fairfax Little League for the Annual Opening Day Ceremony/Parade. *(Councilmember Drummond was absent.)*

## **Public hearings**

- Approved, unanimously, an appropriation resolution in the amount of \$73,500 to fund a portion of the CUE/George Mason University Transit Study for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2013.

## **Items not requiring a public hearing**

- Presentation by the city manager of the City of Fairfax proposed budget for fiscal year 2014-15.
- Approved, unanimously, that the City Council authorize the city manager to execute a services agreement between the City of Fairfax and Fairfax Water.

## **Actions out of the closed meeting/ Appointments to boards and commissions.**

- Approved unanimously, to authorize and approve the settlement of City of Fairfax v. First State Investors 5200 LLC (Fairfax County Circuit Court No. CL2012-11080) relating to condemnation of property located at 11190 Fairfax Boulevard on the terms and conditions outlined by the city attorney in closed meeting and further moved to authorize the city attorney to finalize the negotiations and any

settlement agreement in this matter and to authorize the city attorney and the city manager, as applicable, to execute any documentation necessary to finalize the settlement.

- Approved, unanimously, to appoint Mary Valenta to the Economic Development Authority for the remainder of a four-year term extending through October 23, 2016.
- Approved, unanimously, to appoint Joseph Harmon to the Planning Commission for the remainder of a four-year term extending through December 31, 2015.

**March 11, 2014**

## **Consent agenda**

- Approved, unanimously, Introduction of an Ordinance (i) amending City Code Chapter 38, Article III, Section 38-31 (ii) redesignating City Code Chapter 38, Articles IV, V and VI as new Chapter 38, Articles V, VI and VII, and (iii) adding a new City Code Chapter 38, Article IV, relating to Cross Connection Control and Backflow Prevention; Introduction of an ordinance renewing and granting, through March 31, 2024, a non-exclusive cable television franchise granted to CoxCom, LLC d/b/a Cox Communications Northern Virginia; Consideration of a resolution authorizing staff to take necessary actions to obtain federal and state financial assistance for enhancing the City's Emergency Operations Center and Snow Desk. *(Councilmember Greenfield was absent.)*
- Approved, unanimously, to not publish the list of delinquent personal property and real estate taxes and that the balances recommended for write off by the Treasurer's Office be accepted and authorized for write off. *(Councilmember Greenfield was absent.)*

## **Public hearings**

- Approved, unanimously, the request for a special use permit to allow a home child care facility with up to 12 children in the R-2 Residential District at 10319 Wood Road, subject to conditions. *(Councilmember Greenfield was absent.)*

- Approved, unanimously, the request for a special use permit, to allow a home child care facility with up to 12 children maximum, in the R-2 Residential District at 10506 Oak Place, subject to conditions. *(Councilmember Greenfield was absent.)*

**Attend a City Council meeting in the City Hall Annex.**  
**Agendas are available on the city's website: [click here.](#)**

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## **In Case of Emergency...**

### *City website*

[www.fairfaxva.gov](http://www.fairfaxva.gov)

24-hour access, updates

### *Cityscreen-12*

Channel 12 on cable television and city website

24-hour access, updates

### *eMAS message alert system*

messages sent to subscribers via e-mail, pager, text and phone

24-hour access, updates

### *City newsline*

703-273-1776

recorded information  
24-hour access, updates

### *General Information*

703-385-7855 (TTY: 7-1-1)  
regular business hours

### *Office of Emergency Management*

703-385-4856 (TTY: 7-1-1)  
regular business hours

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# City of Fairfax Community Calendar

# April 2014

**Sunday**

**Monday**

**Tuesday**

**Wednesday**

**Thursday**

**Friday**

**Saturday**

**Curbside leaf collection will be provided on Tuesdays in April —**

**please have leaves at the curb by 7 am on collection day. No bagged leaves are collected in April.**

**Information:**

**[www.fairfaxva.gov](http://www.fairfaxva.gov),  
703-385-LEAF.**



**6**

Mason Players: *The Rovers*, 2 pm, Center for the Arts  
Moscow Festival Ballet, 4 pm, Center for the Arts

**13**

Second Sunday Series: *Our Most Important Public Building*, 2 pm, Fairfax Museum and Visitor Center

**20**

**Sign up to help spruce up the city on Spring Clean-Up Day April 26 — or choose a date and see how the city may assist.**  
**Information:**  
**703-385-7995,**  
**[WeCare@fairfaxva.gov](mailto:WeCare@fairfaxva.gov)**

**27**

Main Street Community Band, 4 pm, Sherwood Community Center

**7**

Old Town Hall Children's Performance Series, 10:30 am, Old Town Hall School Board meeting, 7:30 pm, City Hall Annex (televised; see page 5)

**14**

Last day to register to vote before the May 6 General Election Planning Commission meeting, 7 pm, City Hall Annex (televised; see page 5)

**21**

Old Town Hall Children's Performance Series, 10:30 am, Old Town Hall

**28**

Planning Commission meeting, 7 pm, City Hall Annex (televised; see page 5)  
School Board work session, 7:30 pm, Fairfax High School

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Curbside leaf collection provided  
City Council work session and public outreach meeting, 7 pm, City Hall Annex (televised; see page 5)  
Board of Zoning Appeals meeting, 7 pm, City Hall Annex

**8**

Curbside leaf collection provided  
City Council meeting and work session, 7 pm, City Hall Annex (televised; see page 5)

**15**

Curbside leaf collection provided  
Commission for Women meeting, 7:15 pm, City Hall  
Parks and Recreation Advisory Board special meeting — call 703-385-7858 for information

**22**

Curbside leaf collection provided  
Earth Day show and reception, 6 pm, City Hall Atrium  
City Council meeting and work session, 7 pm, City Hall Annex (televised; see page 5)

**29**

Curbside leaf collection provided  
Vienna-Falls Chorus, 7:30 pm, Sherwood Community Center

**2**

Environmental Sustainability Committee, 7 pm, Sherwood Community Center  
Board of Architectural Review meeting, 7 pm, City Hall Annex

**9**

Economic Development Authority meeting, 6 pm, 4031 University Drive  
Spotlight on the Arts meeting, 7 pm, Sherwood Community Center  
In the Bunker with the Vice President on 9/11, 7 pm, Sherwood Community Center

**16**

Board of Architectural Review meeting, 7 pm, City Hall Annex

**23**

**Check out Leisure Times for recreation classes, trips, events, special activities and more.**

**30**

City Council special meeting, 7 pm, City Hall Annex (televised; see page 5)  
Fairfax Schools Jazz Jam-boree, 7 pm, Sherwood Community Center

**3**

Fairfax City Democratic meeting, 7:30 pm, City Hall Annex

**10**

Parks and Recreation Advisory Board meeting, 7 pm, Sherwood Community Center

**17**

Friday Morning Music Club, 11 am, Old Town Hall  
City of Fairfax Republican Committee meeting, 7 pm, City Hall Annex

**24**

Candidates Night: Mayor and City Council, 7:30 pm, Sherwood Community Center (televised; see page 5)

**31**

**Events at George Mason University, including concerts and student activities, may affect traffic in the city.**  
**For information, visit [today.gmu.edu](http://today.gmu.edu) or call 703-993-1056.**

**4**

Bingo, 7 pm, Fire Station 3 (benefits the Fairfax Volunteer Fire Department)  
Mason Players: *The Rovers*, 8 pm, Center for the Arts

**11**

Sherwood Cinema Series: *Hercules*, 7 pm, Sherwood Community Center (food donations accepted by Our Daily Bread)  
Bingo, 7 pm, Fire Station 3 (benefits the Fairfax Volunteer Fire Department)  
Fairfax Saxophone Quartet, 8 pm, Old Town Hall

**18**

Bingo, 7 pm, Fire Station 3 (benefits the Fairfax Volunteer Fire Department)

**25**

Arbor Day celebration, 10 am, Providence Elementary School  
Spotlight on the Arts Celebration: *Green and Gold*, 7 pm, Sherwood Community Center  
Bingo, 7 pm, Fire Station 3 (benefits the Fairfax Volunteer Fire Department)

**5**

Ratcliffe-Allison House free guided tours offered from 11 am to 2 pm  
Mason Players: *The Rovers*, 2 pm, 8 pm, Center for the Arts  
Moscow Festival Ballet, 8 pm, Center for the Arts

**12**

Ratcliffe-Allison House free guided tours offered from 11 am to 2 pm  
Swing Dance at Sherwood, 8 pm (free dance lessons at 7:30 pm), Sherwood Community Center  
Mason Opera: *The Marriage of Figaro*, 8 pm, Center for the Arts

**19**

Ratcliffe-Allison House free guided tours offered from 11 am to 2 pm  
Easter Egg Hunt, 10 am, Van Dyck Park

**26**

Spring Cleanup Day  
Ratcliffe-Allison House free guided tours offered from 11 am to 2 pm  
Drug Take-Back Day, 10 am to 2 pm, Police Station  
Fairfax Civil War Day, 10 am to 5 pm, Historic Blenheim

## Helpful Phone Numbers

City government information..... 703-385-7855  
City News and Events Line..... 703-273-1776  
Arts and Cultural Events Line..... 703-352-ARTS  
City of Fairfax Regional Library ..... 703-293-6227  
Civil War Interpretive Center..... 703-591-0560  
Fairfax Museum and Visitor Center ..... 703-385-8414  
FHS Sports Line..... 703-749-8130  
George Mason University events..... 703-993-1056  
Information is subject to last-minute change.

*Fairfax Spotlight on the Arts April 25 through May 9 features performances, shows, activities and more in and around Fairfax; [www.fairfaxspotlight.org](http://www.fairfaxspotlight.org), 703-325-ARTS*

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# ARTS, CULTURE & RECREATION

## Independence Day Parade Applications Due April 1

Join friends and family, civic and business groups: march in the city's Independence Day Parade July 4. Please submit a parade application by April 1.

Volunteers also are sought to assist during the event. Applications are available on the city website.

## Recreation Class Registration Begins April 1

Registration begins April 1 for the spring and summer schedule of recreation classes offered by the City of Fairfax Parks and Recreation Department. For information, check out *Leisure Times* on the city website or call 703-385-7858.

## Sherwood Cinema Series Continues April 11; Food Donations Accepted

Catch *Hercules* for free April 11 at the Stacy C. Sherwood Community Center, 3740 Old Lee Highway.

Lights go down at 7 p.m., and participants may bring their own snacks.

At this event, the non-profit organization Our Daily Bread is accepting

non-perishable food items from 7-9 p.m.; call for donation guidelines.

## Talks, Exhibitions Explore Buildings, Cartoonists

Learn about "Our Most Important Public Building" at 2 p.m. April 13 at Fairfax Museum and Visitor Center, 10209 Main Street. For information, call 703-385-8414.

Discover secrets about the Old Dominion's architecture in the traveling exhibition *Architecture in Virginia: The Old Dominion Period* at the Fairfax Museum and Visitor Center through June 2. On loan from the Virginia Museum of Fine Arts, the exhibition features three buildings in Northern Virginia.

On May 10, learn more about the exhibit at a 2 p.m. talk (followed by a guided tour of Old Town Fairfax buildings) by Margaret Hancock, formerly of the Virginia Center for Architecture. For information, call 703-385-8414.

From April 8 through June 28, learn about *German-American Caricaturists in the Civil War* through the work of two German-born caricaturists and political cartoonists from that era. The exhibition is on loan from the German-American

Heritage Museum in Washington, D.C. For information, call 703-591-0560.

## Egg Hunt at Van Dyck Park April 19

Children ages 2-10 hunt for eggs at the Egg Hunt April 19. "Eggy" activities begin at 10 a.m. and hunts are scheduled for specific age groups starting at 10:30 a.m. at Van Dyck Park, 3730 Old Lee Highway. Bring a camera for photos with the Easter Bunny and food items will be available for sale (cash only).

## Ratcliffe-Allison House Tours Begin in April

Take a free tour of the city's oldest residence — the Ratcliffe-Allison House, 10386 Main Street — from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturdays April through October. Tours also may be scheduled in advance. For information, call 703-385-8414.

## Mother/Son Campout Set for May 9-10

Spend the night in the great outdoors of Van Dyck Park: pitch a tent, bring a sleeping bag and prepare for fun adventures and activities. Dinner, breakfast and s'mores (and campfire) will be provided. Cost is \$30 per person.

**For more information, call the Parks and Recreation Department at 703-385-7858 (TTY Relay: 7-1-1).**



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